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23 April 1957

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Minutes of Meeting Held in  
IAC Conference Room, Administration Building  
Central Intelligence Agency, at 1045, 23 April 1957

Director of Central Intelligence  
Allen W. Dulles  
Presiding

M E M B E R S   P R E S E N T

Mr. W. Park Armstrong, Jr., Special Assistant for Intelligence,  
Department of State  
Major General Robert A. Schow, Assistant Chief of Staff, Intelligence,  
Department of the Army  
Rear Admiral C. B. Martell, Acting Director of Naval Intelligence,  
Department of the Navy  
Colonel R. A. Breitweiser, acting for Director of Intelligence,  
Headquarters, United States Air Force  
Brigadier General Richard Collins, Deputy Director for Intelligence,  
The Joint Staff  
Mr. Harry S. Traynor, Atomic Energy Commission representative  
to the IAC  
Mr. Meffert W. Kuhrtz, acting for Federal Bureau of Investigation  
representative to the IAC

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1. Approval of Minutes

a. 9 April Meeting  
(IAC-M-284)

Approved as written, subject to the following changes in the third subparagraph of item 4 on page 3: (a) add the word "cross" before the last word in the fourth line; (b) substitute a comma for the period after "survey" in the last line of the subparagraph and add "other than by a cross reference."

b. 12 April Meeting  
(IAC-M-285)

Approved as written.

2. Watch Committee Reports  
No. 349 and No. 350

Noted these reports.

3. Review of Crisis Situations

a. Situation in Jordan

The Chairman referred to the continuance of a crisis situation in Jordan and exchanged views with the members on various pertinent developments including the size and deployment of non-Jordanian military forces in the area, the status of the Palestinian refugees, [ ] and other factors bearing on the ability of King Hussein to remain in power. In the course of the discussion the members also concurred in the Chairman's view regarding the desirability of postponing any visit of the Richards' mission to Jordan. After noting that the policy makers had already been alerted generally to the Jordanian situation, the Chairman emphasized that these developments should be followed closely and that it might be necessary to convene the members on short notice to reexamine the situation.

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b. Indonesian Situation

The Chairman introduced Ambassador Cumming to the members and invited him to comment on the situation in Indonesia. Ambassador Cumming and the members then exchanged views on Indonesian developments, with particular reference to factors influencing Sukarno's attitudes and activities and affecting the growth of Communist strength in Indonesia.

c. Greek-Turkish Relations

Mr. Armstrong referred to the possibility of a crisis situation developing with respect to Greek-Turkish relations, and the members concurred generally in this view.

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5. NIE 80-57

Political Stability in Central  
America and the Caribbean  
Through 1958

a. Approved as amended.

b. Noted the findings, as amended, and approved the recommendation of the post-mortem on this estimate.

c. Noted the validity study of NIE 80-54, "The Caribbean Republics," 24 August 1954, as amended.

6. Special Estimate on Libya

After Mr. Kent referred to an urgent request by the NSC Planning Board for a special estimate on Libya, the members agreed

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to initiate such an estimate, to be drafted on the basis of oral contributions by the IAC representatives on 24 April, and with a target date of 7 May for IAC consideration.

7. Communication from President's Board of Consultants  
(Memorandum to DCI, 18 March;  
IAC-M-283, item 7; IAC-M-284,  
item 7; IAC-M-285, item 2)

The Chairman circulated and invited comments on a draft reply to the communication from the President's Board of Consultants with respect to current intelligence activities of the intelligence community, which had been prepared on the basis of the discussion of this communication at the previous IAC meeting (IAC-M-285, item 2). Following an exchange of views on this matter, the Chairman stated that a revised draft reply would be prepared in the light of the discussion and distributed to the members for further consideration at the next regular IAC meeting.

8. Visit to Continental Air Defense Command  
(IAC-M-285, item 3)

The Secretary reported that a check with members had disclosed various potential conflicts which appeared to make it impracticable to attempt to schedule a visit by IAC members to CONAD in the near future. The members therefore agreed to defer this matter and reconsider the possibility of such a trip at a later date.

Adjournment: 1155

  
JOHN HEIRES  
Secretary

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SECRETARY'S NOTES

3. No objection having been raised by a member, the Secretary has authorized release to USIA of SNIE 43-57, "Likelihood of Military Action by the Government of the Republic of China," 9 April 1957 (IAC-M-284, Secretary's Note).

4. Unless objection is raised by a member at the next regular meeting of the IAC, the Secretary proposes to release to USIA NIE 80-57, "Political Stability in Central America and the Caribbean Through 1958," 23 April 1957.

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